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ADFG: Don't litter — dispose of animal parts properly

(DOUGLAS) — The Alaska Department of Fish and Game, Division of Wildlife Conservation would like to remind hunters that disposing of animal parts — including gut piles, lower legs, and hides — along the shoulder of the road and in roadside pullouts is considered littering and is not legal.

Leaving animal scraps in these locations is not only illegal but doing so also creates a hazard. These piles attract other animals to the roadside making it easier for them to be hit by unsuspecting drivers in passing vehicles. Scavengers, such as bears, wolves, and birds struck by a car in these situations can create substantial damage to vehicles, resulting in a great expense to the vehicle owner. Additional danger is created if vehicle drivers try to swerve to miss unexpected wildlife along the side of the road.

ADF&G recommends leaving animal parts at least a quarter of a mile off the side of the road when gutting and quartering moose during this hunting season. Hunters should leave unsalvageable animal parts in the field, instead of along the road or in roadside pullouts.

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